

United States Senate

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STATEMENT:

Whenever you ask the government to do anything, you transform what had been a financial, scientific, military, moral, or social matter into a political issue.

The program you propose will turn into one more Christmas tree on which every politician can hang his favorite pork-barrel boondoggle - and can use to sneak through his favorite scheme for controlling your life and money.

Government programs too often wind up doing the opposite of what their original supporters had expected. Look how programs to end racial discrimination have produced racial quotas, how federal programs to improve education have turned schools into laboratories for crackpot social theories, how "welfare reform" has greatly increased the cost of welfare, how "good works" to foreign countries have produced such ill will.

You don't control the government. Your dreams of what government can achieve are just that - dreams. They bear no resemblance to what government will really do if your program is enacted.

If government is going to do someone's bidding, is it likely to be your bidding - or that of people far more determined, far wealthier, and far more influential than you are - people who see the operation as a chance to further their own self-interest?

Libertarians are determined to reduce government to as small an entity as we can - where it can do as little damage as possible, and be used as little as possible for someone's gain at someone else's expense.

That's why I want to be your U.S. Senator.

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